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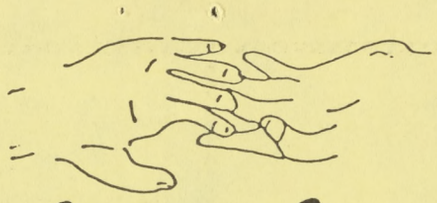

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JANUARY

TOP 20 TITHES
Received by Feb. 15th, 1985
(In Amount Given)

MCC of the Resurrection -----	Houston, TX	$ 1652.27
Church of the Holy Spirit --	Ft. Ldl., FL	944.32
MCC Long Beach ----------	Long Beach, CA	831.09
MCC Los Angeles ---------	Los Angeles, CA	674.70
Christ Chapel MCC ---------	Santa Ana, CA	544.98
MCC New York ----------	New York, NY	505.50
Agape MCC ----------	Ft. Worth, TX	478.38
MCC San Antonio ---------	San Antonio, TX	414.28
Joy MCC ----------	Orlando, FL	351.32
MCC Detroit ----------	Detroit, MI	347.21
River City MCC ----------	Sacramento, CA	302.83
MCC Albuquerque ---------	Albuquerque, NM	302.65
St. Luke's MCC ---------	Jacksonville, FL	299.47
MCC of the Pomona Valley ----	Ontario, CA	297.21
Christ the King MCC ---	Oklahoma City, CA	287.96
MCC Mid-Cities ----------	Arlington, TX	274.40
MCC Wichita ----------	Wichita, KS	271.38
Church of the Holy Spirit-	Des Moines, IA	269.60
MCC of Greater Tulsa,----------	Tulsa, OK	266.37
MCC of the Palm Beaches-	West Palm Bch, FL	240.41

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Received by Feb. 15, 1985
(Per Capita)

MCC Topeka ----------	Topeka, KS	$ 30.55
MCC Salem ----------	Salem, OR	18.51
Trinity MCC ----------	New York, NY	15.82
Covenant MCC ----------	Birmingham, AL	15.53
MCC Spokane ----------	Spokane, WA	14.72
Christ Chapel MCC ---------	Santa Ana, CA	14.57
MCC of Greater Rochester --	Rochester, NY	14.50
MCC Buffalo ----------	Buffalo, NY	14.14
Christ the Liberator MCC --	Princeton, NJ	14.08
Apostles of God MCC ----	Sierra Vista, AZ	13.82
Calvary MCC ----------	Redwood City, CA	12.67
Johnson County MCC ----------	Olathe, KS	12.05
Diablo Valley MCC ----------	Concord, CA	11.96
Faith Eternal MCC -------	Springfield, IL	11.75
MCC of Northern Virginia -----	Oakton, VA	11.40
MCC Charlotte ----------	Charlotte, NC	11.38
Maranatha MCC ----------	Hayward, CA	11.31
MCC Wichita ----------	Wichita, KS	10.90
MCC of the Palm Beaches-W.	Palm Beach, FL	10.50
MCC San Antonio ---------	San Antonio, TX	10.46

PRAISES

Praise God! We have already received over 350 registrations for General Conference -- don't miss our largest family reunion ever, July 1-7, 1985, in Sacramento, California!!!

We have a brand new Study Group in Guadalajara, Mexico! In addition, we have had recent inquiries from Bogota, Columbia and Ecuador.

We have a new group beginning in Mobile, Alabama - keep them in your prayers!

Praise God! Our church in New Zealand has been officially incorporated and registered with the New Zealand government. Among other things, this makes them eligible for the New Zealand Council of Churches, which they will be pursuing.

In addition, our status with the Australian government is also being pursued, in an effort to get Pastor Elect Rev. Samuel Kader, into Melbourne, Australia. Your prayers are coveted!

Rev. Jesse Jackson has been invited to address the General Conference in July in Sacramento - as his plans are not normally finalized until two/three weeks before hand, we do not have a final confirmation -- but we are feeling good about our contact with his assistant and believe that Rev. Jackson may very likely choose to address our Fellowship this summer!

We are very thrilled that MCC Long Beach has donated equipment to the Fellowship that will assist us with making sure those who are hearing impaired will have sound amplification at this General Conference, and also to insure Spanish translation!! Thank you in advance, MCC Long Beach!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Our love and sympathy are extended to both Rev. Ro Halford, and Rev. Ron Bergeron on the deaths of their fathers.

Rev. Steve Pieters requests our prayers as he undergoes special treatment for aids, beginning March 4th, 1985.

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GENERAL CONFERENCE XII
Update
by Jim Voltz, Coordinator

As of Thursday, February 28 we have registered 351 persons and the forms continue to arrive at the Fellowship Offices. The last day of February ended our extended "early bird" registration, but don't let this stop you from attending our "Family Reunion" in Sacramento this summer.

We are continuing to plan more activities and events for both delegates and non-delegates. Please make your hotel reservations directly thru the Visitors Bureau in Sacramento and don't forget to sign up for the extra events at least 24 hours before the event is to occur. We are all looking forward to seeing you at Conference '85 "FREE TO BE."

SAMARITAN COLLEGE

Samaritan College is very happy to announce that we will be awarding the Rev. Nancy Wilson an Honorary Doctorate of Ministries Degree at our commencement ceremonies, May 31, 1985. Those who wish to send letters of congratulations may send them to Samaritan College (3327 Beverly Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90004) by May 24, 1985. Letters received by this date will be presented to Rev. Wilson during commencement. We encourage everyone to attend the commencement ceremonies in order to support and witness the continued growth of our Fellowship seminary.

The Orientation Program Brochures for 1985 have been mailed out to all churches, clergy, student clergy (registered with C.C.C.C.), and Fellowship level lay leaders. We hope you share our excitement in the 1985 programs in New York, Seattle, and Los Angeles. This is one of the most exciting programs Samaritan College has ever offered, and it is our goal to bring Samaritan College Ministries into as many locations as possible. With your continued prayers and financial support we can expand even further. Those interested in attending should have their initial registration in to the College by April 1, 1985.

Another important way in which you can support Samaritan Ministries is through "Samaritan Sunday." Each church takes a sunday of their choice, in the month of May, which is to be set aside for Samaritan Sunday. We will be sending an informational letter and brochure for you to share with your congregations which can be used for this very important celebration. We encourage you to begin planning now for Samaritan Sunday. As a Fellowship it is essential for everyone to support our educational ministry. It is the joy of every christian "TO BE FREE TO LEARN."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Fellowship maintains an up-to-date available pulpit and available clergy list -- please feel free to write us for the latest update.

World Church Extension Sunday Offerings are beginning to come in - please don't forget us this year!

CLERGY! Please don't forget to fill out your CCCC quarterly report forms - these forms, in addition to being used for our updated mailing lists, is required in order for you to be eligible to receive pension benefits!!! If you did not receive your report forms, write immediately to the Chair of the Credentials Committee:

Rev. Claudia Vierra
Chair, C.C.C.C.
805 W. Idaho, Ste. 419
Boise, ID 83702

ALL CONGREGATIONS -- you will be receiving an "ANNUAL REPORT FORM" from our offices that will be used to seat your delegates at General Conference - Watch for it in the mail!

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING CHURCH GROUPS WHO HAVE DONATED TO WORLD CHURCH EXTENSION: (as of 2/28/85)

Agape MCC, Ft Worth
Diablo Valley MCC
MCC by the Sea
MCC Seattle
MCC Key West
Christ the Liberator MCC
MCC Nashville
Casa De Cristo MCC
MCC Sarasota/Braden
Calvary MCC
1st MCC of West Hollywood
All God's Children MCC
MCC Topeka
MCC Mid Cities
MCC in the Valley
MCC Cincinnati
MCC Stockton
St. Mary's MCC
Trinity MCC
MCC of Ventura
MCC Dayton Parish
MCC Salt Lake City
MCC Los Angeles
Maranatha MCC
MCC Lancaster
MCC San Francisco
MCC Quad Cities
MCC San Diego
MCC Birmingham, England

THANKS ALSO TO ALL THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO WORLD CHURCH EXTENSION!!!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Our prayers are requested for Mary V. Smith, mother of Rev. Elder Freda Smith, who is recovering from surgery. Cards or letters may be sent c/o River City MCC, P.O. Box 20125, Sacramento, CA. 95820

Prayers are also requested for the mother of our General Conference Coordinator, (Jim Voltz) who is ill.

Rev. Perry and his mother request our prayers for Troy's Nephew, Clayton, who has been hospitalized since his birth a couple of months ago.